Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 16 Sep 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 17 Sep 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 15 Sep 2021 at 11:51 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for largely fair by day Thursday, also for occasionally unsettled from Friday, but detail of the worst of the later conditions not possible at this stage.

Headline for Thursday 16 Sep 2021: Largely dry with bright and sunny spells by day. Rain spreading from west for evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 16 Sep 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Cloudy	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Light rain
Precipitation probability							
30%	20%	10%	<05%	<05%	<05%	<05%	30%

Forecast for Thursday 16 Sep 2021

Weather: Occasional light showers at first overnight, which generally dwindle towards dawn as clear spells develop. A fair day with the vast majority avoiding the few isolated showers, while seeing bright and sunny spells, these most widespread through to mid-afternoon. Cloud gradually thickening and lowering from the west from late afternoon, with occasional rain spreading erratically from the west before midnight.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Generally 90% by day, but 60% in the west through to early morning and again for the evening.

Visibility: Good or very good, briefly moderate or poor in showers and later rain, very poor in hill fog with bases scattered to broken at times to 500m, chiefly in the west early and late in the day.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	13/16 SW	12/15 SW	10/13 SW	10/14 SW	14/19 SW	18/23 S	24/29 SE	29/35 SE	37/44 SE
900	10/13 SW	10/12 SW	9/11 SW	8/11 SW	12/16 SW	14/19 S	17/22 S	20/24 SE	24/31 SE
600	10/13 SW	10/12 SW	9/11 SW	9/12 SW	12/16 SW	14/19 SW	16/21 S	18/24 SE	26/32 SE
300	6/10 SW	5/8 SW	4/7 S	5/8 SW	8/12 SW	9/13 SW	8/13 S	10/16 SE	13/20 SE
Glen	4/8 SW	4/7 SW	3/7 SW	4/8 SW	8/14 SW	9/16 S	6/13 S	6/13 S	6/13 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	6/2	5/1	4/1	4/1	5/1	6/2	7/2	7/2	6/0
900	8/5	7/4	6/4	7/5	9/6	10/7	9/6	8/4	8/4
600	10/8	9/7	8/6	9/7	11/8	12/10	13/10	13/9	13/8
300	12/11	11/10	11/10	12/11	13/12	15/13	14/13	14/12	13/11
Glen	13/13	12/12	12/12	14/13	16/14	16/15	16/15	15/14	15/14
Freezing Level*	2100m	2100m	2200m	2500m	2500m	2600m	2800m	3100m	3200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Turning breezy at height later as hill fog increases in the west.

Forecast for Friday 17 Sep 2021
Weather: Cloudy with showers or longer periods of rain, these turning heavier at times.

Maximum wind: South to southeast initially mean 30-35mph with gusts reaching 50mph across most exposed ridges and summits, gradually easing through the day.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20%

Visibility: Generally moderate occasionally poor in rain or showers, very poor in hill fog with bases broken to overcast from 300-500m.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 11 Celsius increasing 19 Celsius for a time during the afternoon
At 800m: Plus 9 Celsius
Freezing level: Well above all summits

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